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Donald found employment with the Gibson Mandolin Company until he enlisted in the Radio Division of the Air Corps.

In September 1941, he left Kalamazoo for

St. Louis, Missouri, and spent a month in Jefferson

Barracks training before assignment to an airfield

for five months schooling in radio. He was then

transferred to Scott Field, Belleville, Illinois,

and was there five months. His next training was

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graduated from gunnery school and received his wings.

After some further training on other fields, he was

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height and of slender build, with light brown hair
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He liked to go hunting and fishing and enjoyed the usual sports of the average boy. He was musical and liked to do his own composing. He played the Hawaiian guitar very creditably. He was a lover of natural beauty and had the appreciation of an artist as he watched the sunsets and the flowers. He had no bad habits.

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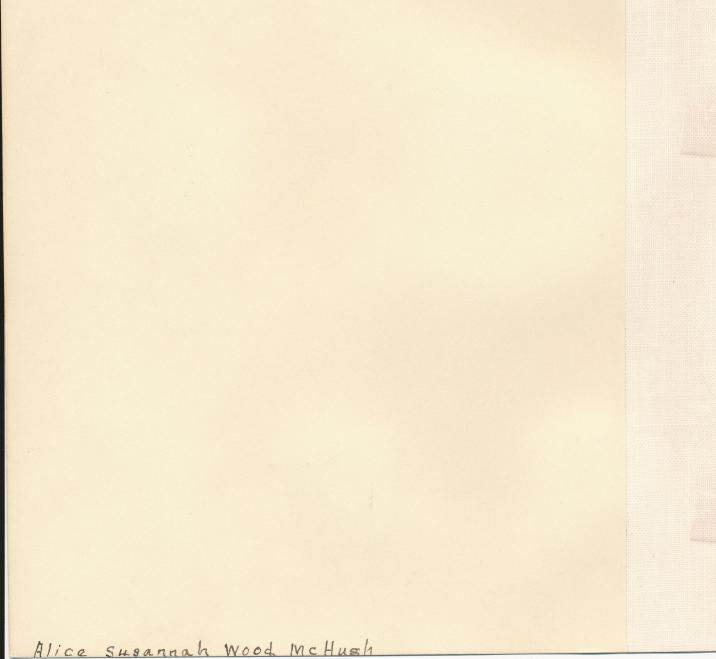
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Alice attended the public schools in Marshall until the death of her parents and then went to live with her grand father at Lee Center about nine miles north of Marshall and attended the rural school there. When she was about fourteen years of age she came to Kalamazoo and attended the old Union School for about two years. She then went into the millinery store of Rosenbaum and Israel and learned the millinery trade and remained in the store about nine years, during which time the store was taken over by the Speyer Brothers. Then she was married.

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- Charles John, born January 7, 1890, married Emma Thomas, resides in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and is the father of five children;
- Donald Thaddeus, born October 6, 1892. married Alice Medill; he died October 6, 1937; he was the father of five girls and two boys;
- Ethelind Alice, born September 7, 1894, married Olin E. Harvey; they have seven children and reside in Battle Creek, Michigan;
- Mary Janet, born March 11, 1896. married Carl Fuhrmann and died about 1924;
- Robert Francis, born February 18, 1898, resides in Kalamazoo, Michigan;
- Lucile Tempest, born during a storm July 7, 1900, resides with her parents and is a book-keeper in the Kalamazoo County Highway office;
- Thaddeus C., Jr., born December 25, 1903, married Barbara Ramstine, resides in Kalamazoo and is foreman of the maintenance department of the Kalamazoo Plating Company.

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On May 19th, 1940, Mr. amd Mrs. McHugh celebrated their fifty-fifth anniversary of their wedding day with a family dinner at their home.

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The sisters of Leland were: Iva, who married Charles Weagley and resides in White Pigeon, Michigan; Pansy, who married Lee Widmeyer and is deceased; Margaret, who married Raymond Bower and resides in Eugene, Oregon.

When Leland was seventeen years of age, in 1904, the family moved to a farm in Florence township, St. Joseph county, Michigan, where they lost everything in a disastrous fire. Leland worked for the neighboring farmers until he was twenty-two years old when he went to Kansas City, Kansas, and was employed by his uncle in a piano store for several years. He then came to Jackson, Michigan, and was employed for a time by Mahers Brothers.

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November 22, 1917, Leland Robert McKenny enlisted in the Depot Brigade of the Army of the United States in the First World War and was discharged at Fort Custer, Michigan, December 3, 1918, having served as sergeant of the Depot Brigade.

In 1919, Mr. McKenny made a trip to Halifax,
Nova Scotia, to put on a piano sale in a music store,
after which he returned to work for Mahers Brothers.

While in Halifax he met Leah May Worth, who was at that time post mistress in charge of a branch post office in that city. On December 23, 1920, they were married in Detroit, Michigan, by the Reverend Llewellyn Brown, pastor of the Grand River Avenue Baptist Church. She was the daughter of Henry and Phoebe McCoubrey Worth. Henry Worth was of English descent and so was his wife, who was the daughter of a Methodist minister. Leah May Worth was born in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada, August 24, 1897, and attended school there. Her mother died March 8, 1917, and her father passed away April 28, 1917, after which Leah May went to Halifax.

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In 1981, Mr. McKenny purchased the Henry Lintz store in Constantine, Michigan, and continued the business until 1929, when he and his wife moved to

Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he worked for Grinnell Brothers for a short time, and in 1930 was made manager of the Kalamazoo Monument Company, retiring in 1940 on account of ill health.

In Kalamazoo, Mr. and Mrs. McKenny made their home at 1207 Wayside drive and he was one of the promoters of the fire and water district on the East side.

Fond of travel, he had been in every state in the Union. He was fond of fishing, and was a member of the Joseph B. Westnedge post, American Legion; Small Business Men's club.

In personal appearance he was about six feet, one inch tall, weighed about two hundred pounds and was of a ruddy complexion. In his youth he played base ball and foot ball and was enthusiastically interested in those sports in later years. He read good books and periodicals and was especially interested in history. He was very friendly and had a keen sense of humor, indulging in witticisms and jokes. While in Constantine he served as mayor.

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Death came to Leland Robert McKenny at his home on Wayside drive Thursday evening, November 26, 1942. The funeral was held from the Truesdale chapel at two o'clock the following Monday afternoon with the Joseph B. Westnedge post, American Legion in charge. Interment was in Riverside cemetery. The foregoing was written in 1943.

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His second marriage was to Goldie E. Davies, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, March 17, 1920. She was the daughter of Winfield T., and Laura B. Winters Spitler, the other members of the family being: Thomas, who resides in Los Angeles; Melvin O., deceased; Chalmer E., of Kalamazoo, Michigan; and Dean Stanley, deceased.

The children of this second marriage are:

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Birth and Education

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February 3, 1886, Mr. Meyler was married to Elizabeth Noteboom. They were the parents of the following children: Marinus, who was born October 17, 1886, and resides with his mother north and west of Kalamazoo; Joseph, who was born December 3, 1887, married Stella Baker, died May 25, 1935, and was buried in Mountain Home cemetery, Otsego, Michigan; Peter John, who was born October 14, 1891, served overseas in the World War for eight months, married Mildred Gray and resides in Kalamazoo; Jennie, born April 7, 1895, married Hiram Paul and resides in Kalamazoo; Elizabeth, born April 9, 1897, married Richard Potts and resides in Kalamazoo. Joseph Meyler was the father of Elizabeth, born June 28, 1918.

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John Peter Meyler had two brothers and two sisters, Peter, William, Tina and Catherine.

Mrs. John Meyler's mother was Jennie DeFriend and her father's name was Joseph Noteboom, a groceryman. Her brothers and sisters were: Anna, Maude, Mary, Nellie, Bolten and John - all deceased.

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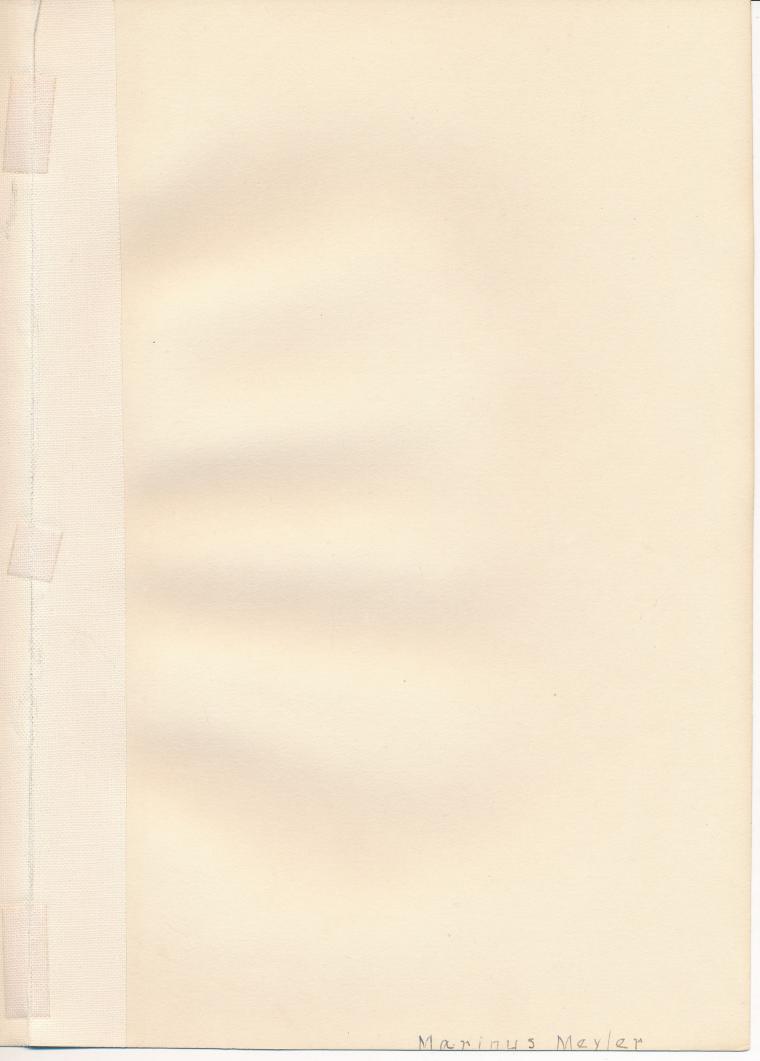
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Marinus attended the Lake Street School in Kalamazoo until he completed the first eight grades and then went to work at the age of sixteen for the Kalamazoo Sled Company for two and one-half years; he then went to the Bryant Paper Company for six months as calender helper; for the next six years, from 1905 to 1911, he was employed by the King Paper Company to run washers; in 1911 he returned to the Bryant Paper Company to run calenders until the strike of 1912; he then worked at various jobs until 1926 when he again went back to the Bryant Paper Company to run calender machines until 1935, when he was made calender foreman, a position he

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In politics, Mr. Meyler is a Republican; he belongs to the Holland American Aid Society. He was brought up in a religious home and attends and supports the Oakwood Undenominational Church.

He used to enjoy wrestling and is fond of hunting and fishing, often going north as far as Mackinac Island for vacations. He likes to read history, especially about Michigan, and greatly enjoys the out-of-doors.

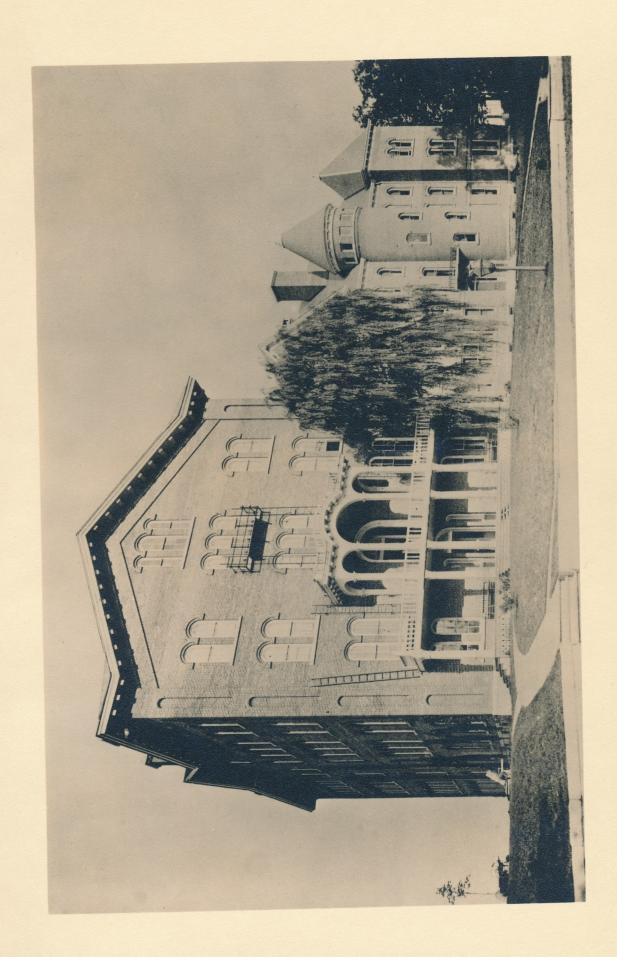
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In politics, Mr. Meyler is a Republican; he belongs to the Helland American Aid Society. He was brought up in a religious home and ettends and supports the Oskwood Undenominational Church.

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Beautiful for situation was the site selected by the committee appointed by Michigan Presbyterian Synod for the location for one of the pioneer schools in our state, the Michigan Female Seminary as an institution for higher education for young women.

It was organized by the adoption of the Articles of Association, constituting it a corporation, the 15th day of December, 1865, with twenty-one trustees and Dr. George W. Duffield, D. D., of Detroit, made President. An executive committee of five, F. W. Curtenius, W. A. Tomlinson, H. D. Wells, C. W. Hall and L. H. Trask were empowered to act for the board and carry out it's instructions between meetings. The means for it's start was aided greatly by Rev. John Jay Slocum and soon 32 acres east of the Kalamazoo River was decided to be the ideal location with it's ascending hills in the beautiful oak grove, it's wide spreading view of the flowing river, and the city nestled in the valley with it's sunset hills on the western border, made it outstanding in many ways.

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Massachusetts, under Mary Lyon, was secured as
principal and carried on a most successful career
for ten years when she was married to Mr. E. S.
Moore of Three Rivers. She had as her first corps
of teachers, Miss Julia Esty, Miss Sarah A. Greer,
Miss Lura Newhall, Miss Jane Smead, Miss Fanny
Guernsey and Miss Sarah E. Felton. What fine women
they were, staunch, steady, true and gracious.
Such splendid examples of womanhood to be the leaders of young women in their training. Many of these
teachers graduated from Mt. Holyoke or Lake Erie
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church attendance being obligatory each Sabbath unless ill or too severe weather for the long walk to the downtown church. Many older residents still recall the school seated in the gallery of the Presbyterian Church, while a few attended some other denomination. Each Sunday afternoon all gathered in the chapel for Bible study and how much all gained in values not counted in dollars and cents. The 8 o'clock prayer meeting each evening, the 15 minute quiet hour each morning and evening, when each one alone was expected to hold sweet converse with their Lord and Master. Such character

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Athletics were not known as such in the early days, but weekly calisthenic drills were held and exercises with dumbells, wands and rings were considered most healthful, and were added to the required one hours walk daily in the great out-of-doors.

Social life was also featured in receptions, concerts and various entertainments arranged by the school, while downtown activities such as lectures and concerts were attended by all who desired.

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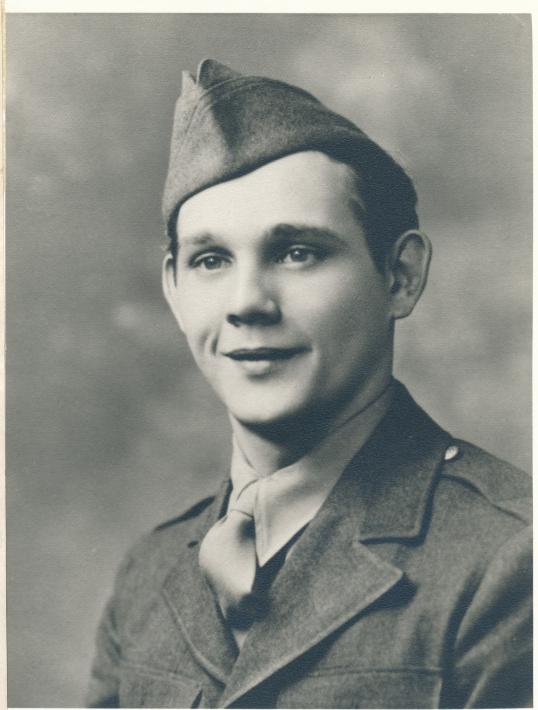
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Personal Characteristics

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He enjoyed roller skating, dancing, fishing and hunting. He liked to read history and enjoyed music. He attended the Park Street Church of Christ and his letters showed a reverent interest in religion and in his letters he asked for prayers.

The following copy of a letter speaks for itself:

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16 March 1945

Mrs. Clara Middaugh, 1009 North Burdick Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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He was buried in an American Cemetery somewhere in Belgium, and a Protestant Chaplain officiated at the services held for him.

He was respected by his associates in the Service as a man of outstanding devotion to duty. His loss is deeply felt and sincerely regretted.

On behalf of the officers and men of the 4th Cavalry I extend my heartfelt sympathy and express the hope that the Almighty who saw fit to take your son will also give you the courage to bear your loss bravely.

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From a pioneer cabin on an Indian trail through a forest to a modern golf course seems a far cry, yet such a change took place during the life time of Fred Harold Milham in the property that his father, John Milham, bought in the early 1840's. between the Town Line Road on the South, the Grand Rapids and Indiana railroad on the East, and Lovers Lane on the West, extending on the North as far as Lakeway, making a total of about 450 acres. two years from the time he arrived at the log cabin. John Milham built a large roomy new house nearer to Portage Road, and it was in this house that there were born ten children to him and his third wife, Louisa Anderson, daughter of Eli and Abigal Anderson of Comstock Township: Randolph, the eldest, died in infancy, John, Almira, Robert, Carrie, Fred, Gertrude, Frank and the twins Louis and Louisa, who also died in infancy.

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With his brothers and sisters, Fred attended the school built by his father just north of the homestead, and later went to the school built at the bend in Portage Road on land donated by his father. It was an established custom that all school teachers lived at the Milham's, and that the school was pretty carefully supervised by Mr. Milham. completing the work offered in the district school, Fred and his brothers were sent to Parsons Business College, and his sisters to Mount Holyoke Female Seminary in Kalamazoo. After graduating from Parsons Business College, Fred attended Valparaiso Normal School in Indiana, and prepared to teach. His first school was at County Center, east of the homestead and near enough so that he could live at home and ride to school on horse back. The next school was known as the Smith District, and was so far from home that he followed the general custom of the time, and "boarded round" in the homes of the school patrons, the length of time in each home depending on the number of children sent to school. After two years at the Smith school, he returned to

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John Milham was married four times. By his first wife he became the father of William, Ambrose, James and Richard; the children of his second marriage were Martin, Matthias, Oliver, Marilla and Mary; his third wife was Louisa Anderson, daughter of Eli and Abigail Anderson of Comstock township, and they became the parents of: Randolph, who died in infancy; John; Almira; Robert; Carrie; Fred; Gertrude; Frank; twins Louis and Louisa, who died in infancy.

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of
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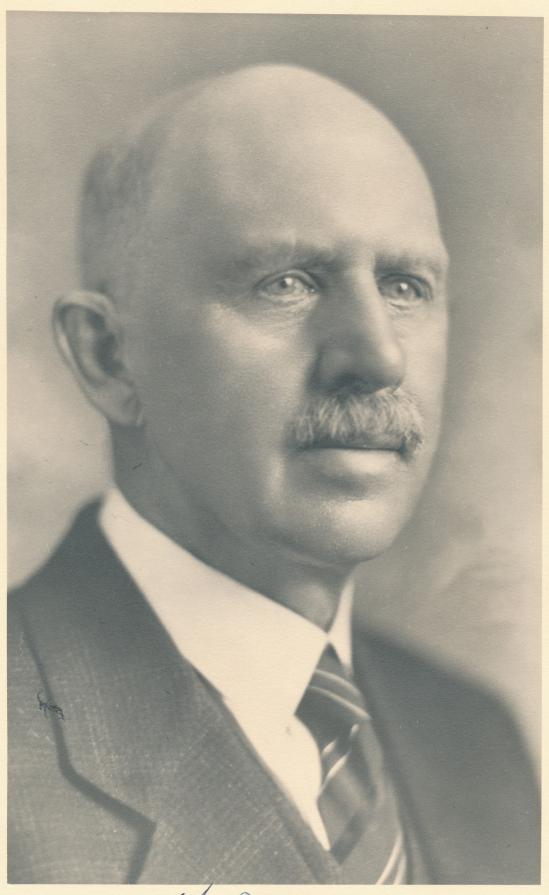
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William Bayard Milham attended the rural school and remained on the farm until 1910, when he moved to 836 West Lovell street, Kalamazoo, so that the children could attend high school.

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to Mr. Milham.

Mr. and Mrs. Milham were the parents of:

- Wayne W., who married Irene Fairchild, is the father of Ann and Marian, resides in Kalamazoo;
- Allen B., married Eleanor Nelson of Chicago, is the father of Dorothy Eleanor, William B., and Emily, resides in Kalamazoo;
- Irving A., married Clara Woodruff, is the father of Carole Louise and Nancy Ann, resides in Kalamazoo;
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Mr. and Mrs. Milham celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary October 28, 1936. In 1932, Mrs. Milham suffered a stroke in Florida and was an invalid until her death which occurred November 20, 1939.

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son of Stephen and Eliza Carney Miller, of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Miller were married

December 11, 1860, in Chester county, Pennsylvania.

He was born October 12, 1839, the son of Josiah and

Lydia Ann Dean Miller, who were married about the

year 1835, and settled in Chester county, Pennsyl
vania. Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Miller were also the

parents of Rachel and John. Lydia Ann Miller died

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time, a lady whose first name was Ann and they were

the parents of William, born in Smyrna, Delaware.

Josiah Miller passed away in July, 1888.

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John M., February 24, 1891, Wayland;

Linda Ann passed away March 5, 1891, aged 29 years, 1 month and 18 days;

Sarah, born August 16, 1863, in Chester county, Pennsylvania, was married to Omer Turner Fales, August 15, 1880, at Dutton, Kent county, Michigan, and they became the parents of Myrtie Bell, born August 26, 1885, and Floyd Omer, born July 13, 1891 - Omer Fales passed away July 31, 1932, aged 76 years, 7 months;

Ira, born October 6, 1869, in Allegan county, married Florence Ives, October 22, 1890, at Allegan;

Cora S., born November 1, 1874, in Allegan county, Michigan, was married to Frank Barrows, August 3, 1893, at Allegan, and they became the parents of Vern, born May 24, 1894, in Martin, Mich., Bernard, born May 24, 1899, in Wayland, Tp. Vern passed away December 27, 1898, aged four years, seven months, three days;

Herbert Stephen, born October 2, 1878, in
Allegan, Michigan, was married to Lila
Hollister, March 31, 1897, in Allegan, and
they became the parents of
Gerald, born February 26, 1899, in Wayland,
Michigan,
Emily, born April 13, 1902, in Grand Rapids,
Michigan, died in July 1902,
Margaret, born July 10, 1904, in Grand
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 became the parents of:
 Avis Luella, born June 27, 1906, Wayland,
 John Albert, born September 30, 1910, at
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 Wayland, Michigan, and
 Audrey June, born June 4, 1920, in Gun
 Plains township, died September
 22, 1924, aged 4 years, 3
 months, 18 days.
- Glenn G., son of Orange Porter and Linda Ann Fales, was married to Jessie I. Chamberlain, November 14, 1910, in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and they became the parents of Francis Orange, born October 19, 1917, Idalyn G., born February 10, 1920, Geraldine Louise, born October 26, 1922.
- John M., son of Orange Porter and Linda Ann
 Fales, was married to Ella Estel Morris,
 August 12, 1913, at Kalamazoo, Michigan,
 and they became the parents of
 Hazel Alinda, born January 15, 1915, in
 Leighton township, Allegan county,
 Versal Charles, born January 1, 1916, in
 Leighton township, Allegan county,
 Willard John, born December 28, 1919, in
 Wayland township, Allegan county,
 Crystal Estel, born April 6, 1922, in
 Leighton township, Allegan county.
 Ella Estel died August 15, 1933, aged
 39 years, 8 months and 3 days.
- Floyd C., son Omer Turner and Sarah Fales, was married to Hannah E. Henke, on October 3, 1913, at Allegan, Michigan, and they became the parents of Lillian Elizabeth, born March 19, 1919, in Wayland township, d. in infarry Floyd Rupert, born April 26, 1920, in Wayland township, Clyde Russell, born April 15, 1922, in Wayland township.

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